

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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CREDIT PACAGE FOR REHABILITATION
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has announced a credit package for rehabilitation of people affected by various natural calamities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether cases of misuses have been reported during the last three years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE(SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) & (b) : No, Sir. However, NABARD has, from time to time, issued guidelines/ instructions to Cooperative Banks and Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) in regard to matters relating to relief measures to be provided in areas affected by natural calamities. As per =standing instructions, Cooperative Banks and RRBs are required to reschedule the short term crop loans of farmers affected by natural calamities into medium term loans subject to completion of certain formalities and disburse fresh credit. NABARD, in turn, provides refinance to RRBs and to State Cooperative Banks (SCBs) in respect of District Central Cooperative Banks (DCCBs) against the loans rescheduled oy them at the ground level.

(c) : No case of misuse of NABARD refinance has come to the notice of the Government.

(d): Does not arise.